## BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Regular Meeting Board Room August 14, 2019

Present: Mrs. Cathi Root, President

Mr. Aaron Lounsbury, Member Mr. Gregory Schweiger, Member Mr. Joshua Whitmore, Member

Mrs. Pamela Zwierlein, Vice-President

Adm./Others: Dr. David Hamilton, Superintendent

Mrs. Michelle Bombard, Principal

Mr. Willard Cook, Principal Mrs. LuEllen Hoyt, Principal

Mrs. Kathleen Keene, Director of Instruction

Mr. Joshua Roe, Principal

Mrs. Diane Tavelli, Dir. Of Pupil Services

Mrs. Jill Reese, Clerk

Mrs. Kendra Seaver, Treasurer

Others: Mrs. Des Ford

Mr. Mike Worzel Mr. Fred Westbrook

Mr. Johnny Williams, Morning Times

Absent: Mr. Scot Taylor, Member

# 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mrs. Root called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room.

## 2. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

## 3. VOICE OF THE PUBLIC

# 4. **CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES**

A MOTION was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Aaron Lounsbury, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve Board Minutes dated July 10, 2019 for the Regular Meeting and Reorganizational meeting as presented.

## 5. REPORTS

<u>Legislative</u> – Nothing to report

<u>Health Trust Consortium</u> – Nothing to report

Workers' Compensation Alliance – Nothing to report

Other Board Comments – Nothing to report

#### Mr. Cook

Much of the prep work for next school year is going on, working on schedules and teachers have been coming in recently. Tuesday, August 27 is 5<sup>th</sup> grade Transition Night; Thursday, August 29 is 7<sup>th</sup> grade Transition Night.

## Mrs. Bombard

The Elementary is doing well, we have had a lot of students moving in to the district. Teachers have also been in to work in the Elementary. Open House for UPK is scheduled for Thursday, August 29 and Open House for K-4 is scheduled for Tuesday, September 3.

#### Mr. Roe

Regents re-takes were yesterday and today; Master schedule was finished today; Freshman Orientation is scheduled for Wednesday, August 28. New Teacher Orientation is scheduled for Monday.

#### Mrs. Keene

Three out of the four Program Committees have finished their summer work. New Teacher Orientation is scheduled for Monday, August 19, with their mentors. The Harvest Festival is scheduled for Thursday, September 26.

#### Mrs. Tavelli

Working on Guidance Plans and Schedules; have been working with the new Counselor; and confirming student placements for fall.

## Dr. Hamilton

## Elementary and Middle School Students to get FREE breakfast and lunch

All Elementary and Middle school students will receive a complete breakfast and lunch at no charge for the 2019-2020 school year. These two schools have qualified to participate in the Community Eligibility Provision through the New York State Education Department. Kristy Robertson, our Food Service Director, has notified parents in a letter mailed home and provided the following details (below)

#### FAQ's:

- 1. What do you mean by a complete breakfast and lunch? Students must select certain items at each meal to qualify as a complete meal. All students must select a fruit or vegetable with each meal. Our food service staff is trained to help students select all items needed to qualify as a complete meal.
- Will my student still need to have money on their meal account? All a carte purchases for
  extra items like ice cream, chips, snack juice, and extra entrees will be charged to the
  student's meal account. These charges will only be allowed on accounts that have
  money on them.
- 3. Do I need to fill out an Application for Free and Reduced Meals for my student to qualify for these free meals? All students in elementary and middle school will qualify for free meals regardless of family income. We will still be sending out an Eligibility Form for families in these schools to fill out and return. Although income information is not needed to receive free meals in these schools, this information is used to secure other funding for our district. This information is kept confidential and only shared with appropriate school officials.
- 4. What about my high school student? Currently, our high school does not qualify for the Community Eligibility Provision. Families of high school students may still qualify for free and reduced meals based on their income and need to fill out a 2019-2020 Application for Free and Reduced Price School Meals. Applications can be found on the school website, click on the Food Service tab under Departments. You may also call the Food Service office at 687-8006 ext.2 to request an application.

#### The Pool is Ready for School!

This summer we had the pooled drained and inspected for the first time in 20 years. The good news is that it required only minor repairs and upgrades to the water treatment system.

#### **Summer Curriculum Writing**

We had K-12 teams in for 15 days this summer working on curriculum and assessments in the areas of Math, Science, Social Studies and English. This crucial work will be a springboard to the larger curriculum work all of our teachers will be involved in during most of our Superintendent Conference Days this school year. The teachers have formed amazing teams across schools and grade levels to take a comprehensive look at what we want our Tioga graduates need to be successful in school and beyond!

## 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 18/19 Financial Report

Mrs. Seaver gave a brief 4<sup>th</sup> quarter report as well as handouts for the Board. She stated that the Auditors would give a much more in depth report of their findings at a meeting in the fall.

# 6. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Westbrook and Mr. Worzel from the Ridge Runners Snowmobile Club were at the meeting to answer any questions regarding the proposed Snowmobile Club Land Owner Agreement for the snowmobile trail on school property.

This was tabled until after Executive Session.

Mr. Westbrook and Mr. Worzel left at 6:33 p.m.

Mrs. Keene discussed the changes/updates to the Safety Plan. The plan will be posted on the website for 30 days for public review and comment, it will then go to the Board of Education for approval.

A MOTION was made by Gregory Schweiger, seconded by Joshua Whitmore, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve the 2019-20 Athletic Handbook as presented.

A MOTION was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Aaron Lounsbury, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to rescind prior policies 7610 through 7690 in full and adopt newly proposed policies 7610 through 7690.

A MOTION was made by Aaron Lounsbury, seconded by Joshua Whitmore, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to review policies 7220, 7222, 7511, 8110 through 8280, and 8320 through 8460 for any possible amendments and to place them on the September 4 meeting agenda for adoption.

## 7. FINANCIAL

A MOTION was made by Aaron Lounsbury, seconded by Joshua Whitmore, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve *Financial Consent Agenda* items as follows:

Approval of June 2019 Claims Auditor Report

Approval of July 2019 Claims Auditor Report

Approval of June 2019 Extraclassroom Report

Approval of School Lunch Prices for 2019-20 as follows:

Elem. & Middle School Breakfast \$0.00 High School Breakfast \$1.50 Elem. & Middle School Lunch \$0.00 High School Lunch \$2.85

Approval of June 2019 Financial Report

Approval of July 2019 Overtime Report

Approval of School Tax Warrant

Approval of tuition invoice from Finn Academy Charter School for \$2,430.45

Approval of Fixed Asset Disposal Listing

## 8. PERSONNEL

A MOTION was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Aaron Lounsbury, and carried by a vote of 5-0, to approve *Personnel Consent Agenda* items as follows:

Approval of the resignation received from Diane Tavelli, Director of Pupil Services, effective August 31, 2019

Approval of the resignation received from Becky Kerstetter, K-6 Teacher, effective August 31, 2019

Approval of the letter rescinding his resignation, received from Rob Boothby, for his position as Bus Driver dated July 17, 2019

Approval of the following probationary appointments:

Name of Civil Service Appointee:

Probationary Area:

Certification:

Commencement of Probationary Service:

Expiration Date of Appointment:

Ashley Guiles

School Nurse

Registered Nurse

September 1, 2019

September 1, 2020

Name of Appointee:
Tenure Areas:
Certification:
Commencement of Probationary Service:
Expiration Date of Appointment\*:
Jill Darpino
7-12 Science
Biology - Initial
September 1, 2019
August 31, 2023

\*To the extent required by the applicable provisions of Education Law §§2509, 2573, 3212, and 3014, in order to be granted tenure, the classroom teacher or building principal shall have received composite or overall annual professional performance review ratings pursuant to Education Law §3012-c and/or 3012-d of either effective or highly effective in at least three (3) of the four (4) preceding years. If the classroom teacher or building principal receives an ineffective composite or overall rating in the final year of the probation period, he or she shall not be eligible for tenure at that time. For purposes of this subdivision, classroom teacher and building principal mean a classroom teacher or building principal as such terms are defined in Sections 30-2.2 and 30-3.2 of this Part.

Name of LTS Appointee: Melissa Pettinato

Long-Term Substitute Area: K-6

Commencement of Service: September 1, 2019

Approval of additions to the 2019-20 Substitute Lists as follows:

- Kelly Smith Support Staff
- Sherilyn Thomas Support Staff
- Melissa O'Flanagan Instructional Staff
- Leandra Guy Support Staff

## 9. VOICE OF THE PUBLIC

#### 10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Aaron Lounsbury, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to enter in executive session at 7:23 p.m. to discuss the proposed acquisition of real property and matters leading to the employment of a particular corporation or corporations.

Mrs. Ford, Mr. Williams, Mrs. Reese, and Administrators left at 7:23 p.m. Kendra Seaver left at 8:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Gregory Schweiger, seconded by Aaron Lounsbury, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to return to public session at 8:50 p.m. to discuss the item tabled earlier regarding the snowmobile club.

A MOTION was made by Aaron Lounsbury, seconded by Gregory Schweiger, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve the terms of the landowner agreement with the Ridge Runners Snowmobile Club.

# 11. ADJOURN

A MOTION was made by Gregory Schweiger, seconded by Aaron Lounsbury, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to adjourn the meeting at 8:51 p.m.

Jill Reese Clerk